A note from Pastor Owen Scott...

John Updike, the contemporary American author, once described his parents as people who were inclined "to laugh a lot and examine everything for the *fingerprints of God".* What a delightful description! As I examine my own life in detail, I too, can see "God's fingerprints" everywhere. In all of life's circumstances and events (both good and bad), if we look closely, we can see the Lord at work. Even in our darkest moments, when we turn our hearts to Him. "God is present" in the midst of our every struggle. But not just in our crisis is God with us. I look over my life and I see how He was there in my choice of a wife...my experiences growing up as a child...the places I have lived...the people who have influenced me...the books I have read...all of these I am convinced have God's fingerprints on them. So look at your life closely. Get out the dusting powder and as you ponder over what has happened, you'll soon

say..."God, you were there all the time".

Valley Church...

There's a place for you!



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Sunday at Valley Church...

Services at 9:00 & 11:00 am – Pastor Marcel Kurtz will be speaking this morning. There is a supervised Mini-Kids Centre for children under 3 years in the 11 am service. (The Mini-Kids Centre is unsupervised during the 9 am service – Parents are asked to stay with their children.) Nursery facilities available to mothers with babies.

Join us for a coffee & cookies on the patio!

Join us for coffee on the patio after the service today...a great chance to meet a new friend.



This week...

Intercessory Prayer Group

Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am in the nursery - If you are a part of the Valley Church family, you are invited to join this group to pray each week. If you have a prayer request, please fill in the enclosed prayer card. The group also appreciates hearing about your *answers to prayer*!

What's happening at Valley Church?

If you are new to Valley Church or would like to pass on some new information, please take a moment to fill in a Valley Church Connection Card and drop it in one of the boxes beside the exits. You'll find the cards in the holders on the chairs in front of you.

If you are a young adult and would like to connect with other young adults at Valley Church, give Simon & Oyuki Bodlack a call at (778) 689-4636 or simonbodlack@gmail.com

Pray for our Youth Mission Team! They are in Mexico for the next week where they will be ministering in very practical ways



to the poor. *Mel Sanderson* and *Tim Shaw* are giving leadership to the team. They will return to Vancouver on August 24th.

Send in your photos! Summer has arrived and our Valley Church family is involved in all kinds of interesting activities – Please share some of your special moments with us by emailing us your favorite family photos to use in the bulletin and on our website. If you are taking a trip over the next few months, take along a *Valley Church bulletin* and take a photo of you holding it in front of a site you're visiting...Valley Church's version of North Shore News *"News Around the World"..."Valley Church Around the World"*!

Order coffee...and help support Valley Church Mission

endeavors! We are partnering with La Cima Golden Coffee to help raise funds for Missions. When you purchase a 340g bag for \$14, they will donate \$3 towards the mission trip. Forms are available at the Info Table or from Mel.

Check out the coat racks!

Some items of clothes and a number of water bottles were left after VBS this summer. Please check the coat rack beside the office to see if any of them are yours

On vacation...**Owen & Val Scott are taking a few weeks of vacation at this time.** They will be back next Sunday, Aug. 25th.

Grief Share - Grief Share will be starting on Saturday, September 14th at 10 a.m. A video on "Living with Grief" will be shown at that time. Registration Fee - \$21.00. Contact Lillian Gorrie at <u>lgorrie@shaw.ca</u> for info.

Pick up your new Daily Breads at the info table in the foyer.

ALPHA is coming! Valley Church will be running the ALPHA course in the fall. Pray that much will be accomplished in people's lives who are seeking the truth about Christ.

Photos on front (clockwise from top left) – Congratulations to Shawn Murphy who was a winner at the Canadian Fast Draw Championship in Aldergrove; Edda & Kent Langworth; Austin & Jordan Kurtz entering "the promised land" coming home from Edmonton; Michael & Dorothy Elwood & Pastor Owen on Bowen Island.